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REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF HOLDERNESS,

FOR THE YEAR 1873,

TOGETHER WITH

REPORTS OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR,
COLLECTOR, AND TREASURER.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Selectmen in account with the Town of Holderness,
for 1873 :

Received of—		DR.
April 17.	John G. Beede, on note given,	\$100.00
May 22.	Thomas H. Ricker, on note given,	400.00
Aug. 20.	Joseph F. Greenleaf, on note given,	20.00
Oct. 8.	Samuel P. Smith, on note given,	100.00
	13. John G. Beede, on note given,	100.00
Dec. 5.	State Treasurer, Savings Bank Tax,	111.94
	5. " Railroad Tax,	12.48
	5. " Literary Fund,	71.34
Mar. 20.	Hiram Greenleaf, Treasurer,	10.00
Apr. 20.	" "	5.24
1874.		
Feb. 19.	" "	12.25
		<hr/> \$943.25

*By paying H. Greenleaf, the money hired to float Town
Debt.*

Paid—		CR.
Apr. 20.	H. Greenleaf, Treasurer,	\$100.00
May 29.	" "	400.00
Aug. 20.	" "	20.00
Oct. 13.	" "	200.00
Dec. 8.	Savings Bank and Railroad Tax,	124.42
		<hr/> \$844.42

By paying Town Expenses, by cash and orders as follows :

1873. Paid—		
Mar. 18.	Wm. A. Heard, books and stationery,	\$8.69
	S. Ethridge, expenses to Haverhill,	4.55
Apr. 2.	Mrs. Pebbles, for damage,	10.00
	J. Burrows, for two letters,	2.00
Apr. 17.	Rufus A. R. Benson, for damages to carriage spring, in Dist. No. 5, in 1872,	4.00

Paid—

	Nicholas Brown, damage of sleigh in Dist. No. 10, in 1872,	7.00
May 21.	James L. Wilson, for filing bond in D. F. & J. C. Moore's case,	1.00
May 26.	For postage and stationery,	.60
26.	Stephen Ethridge, for expenses away from home,	1.40
27.	Van N. Bass, for printing town reports for 1872,	48.40
Oct. 8.	Daniel B. Tucker, for damages received in Dist. No. 11,	24.00
13.	Daniel B. Eaton, for perambulating line between Holderness and Center Harbor,	3.25
17.	George W. Mooney, for labor, and witness fee, in D. F. & J. C. Moore's case,	4.50
Dec. 5.	Stephen Ethridge, expenses to Concord, to pay State tax,	4.00
20.	John Smith, use of watering trough,	2.00
20.	John Smith, Jr., for abatement of tax on dog that died in 1872,	1.00
1874.		
	John L. Page, for abatement of tax on dog that died in 1872,	1.00
Jan. 27.	N. B. Whitten, for services as town clerk for the year 1873,	25.00
27.	Perkins Moulton, for services as superintending school committee,	39.00
Feb. 16.	S. W. Davis, for damage of sleigh and harness,	6.00
18.	Luther B. Sanborn, for services as selectman,	51.00
18.	Luther B. Sanborn, for horse and carriage,	3.50
18.	Luther B. Sanborn, for expenses,	1.33
18.	Charles W. Piper, for services as selectman,	58.80
18.	Charles W. Piper, horse and carriage,	9.27
18.	Charles W. Piper, for expenses,	1.33

Paid—

18.	S. C. Baker, for a list of names of soldiers mustered into the U. S. service,	2.50
18.	Walter B. Cox, for labor and witness fee in Dr. Moore's case,	4.00
18.	Stephen Ethridge, for services as selectman,	77.50
18.	Stephen Ethridge, for board of town officers,	18.00
18.	Stephen Ethridge, horse and carriage,	6.00
19.	Daniel H. Cox, for service as collector of taxes,	90.00
19.	Daniel H. Cox, for printing tax bills,	2.75
19.	William Lowe, for going to Long Island in Dr. Moore's case,	1.25
	Mark M. Sargent, care of town house and fencing town lot,	4.00
	Mark M. Sargent, furnishing wood and watering trough,	4.00
	Thomas B. Rogers, for abatement of tax on that part of Long Island, lying in Holderness, overtaxed in 1872,	.75
		<hr/> \$533.37

Roads and Bridges by orders.

1873. Paid—

Mar. 15.	Thomas Cochran, Jr., for repairing highway in Dist. No. 10, in 1872,	\$15.10
June 27.	Luther B. Sanborn, for labor in repairing the mountain road,	12.00
Dec. 20.	Daniel S. Hawkins, for use of watering trough in Dist. No. 6,	2.00
20.	Stephen M. Worthen, for plank to repair bridges in Dist. No. 2 and 11,	23.76
	Caleb M. Ames, for plank to repair bridges in highway,	11.21
	John C. Towle, for labor, powder and fuse in repairing roads,	1.98
1874.	Joseph F. True, for labor and plank to repair the highway,	5.04

Paid—

Jan. 28.	Wm. M. Wallace, for damage of plow broken on the road,	3.00
28.	Wm. M. Wallace, for repairing highway in Dist. No. 8,	8.00
24.	Stephen M. Worthen, for watering trough in Dist. No. 11,	2.00
24.	Harrison Carr, for watering trough in Dist. No. 3,	2.00
Feb. 13.	Chas. W. Piper, for damage of plow broken on the road in 1870,	3.00
18.	Charles W. Piper, for damage of plow broken on the road,	1.25
19.	Moses M. Cox, for gravel,	5.00
19.	Rufus H. Eastman, for sharpening drills,	.12
19.	Rufus H. Eastman, for powder and fuse,	.30
19.	Rufus H. Eastman, for 112 feet plank,	1.78
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		\$97.54

Sheep Damage.

1874. Paid—

Jan. 24.	Jonathan B. Huckins, for one sheep,	\$8.00
24.	George F. Cummings, for one sheep,	8.00
24.	John Smith, Jr., for one sheep,	4.00
24.	Thomas S. Pulsifer, for one sheep,	4.00
24.	David R. Pulsifer, for one sheep,	4.00
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		\$28.00

Pauper Bills.

1873. Paid—

Mar. 5.	Walter B. Cox,	\$11.37
22.	Walter B. Cox,	75.00
May 13.	Walter B. Cox,	12.00
Sept. 10.	Walter B. Cox,	21.12
1874. Paid—		
Feb. 18.	Walter B. Cox,	25.33

\$144.82

Paid Literary Fund,

\$71.34

Recapitulation.

Whole amount received by cash,	\$943.25	
By order on Treasurer,	776.24	
	<hr/>	\$1,719.49

Which is accounted for as follows :

Paid Town Treasurer money hired to float town debt,	\$720.00	
Paid Savings Bank and Railroad tax,	124.42	
	<hr/>	\$844.42
Town expenses, by cash,	\$27.49	
Town expenses, by orders,	505.88	
Roads and bridges, by orders,	97.54	
Pauper bills, by order,	144.82	
Sheep damage, by orders,	28.00	
Literary fund,	71.34	
	<hr/>	\$875.07

Whole amount paid out,	\$1,719.49	
Town debt, as per Treasurer's report,	\$7,606.23	
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	\$578.00	
Am't in Collector's hands uncollected,	165.76	
	<hr/>	\$743.76

STEPHEN ETHRIDGE,	} Selectmen of Holderness.
CHARLES W. PIPER,	
LUTHER B. SANBORN,	

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen of the town of Holderness, for the year 1873, and find them correct.

H. H. SHEPARD, Auditor.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Daniel H. Cox, Collector of Taxes, in account with the
Town of Holderness, for the year 1873 :

	DR.
To State, county, town and school taxes,	\$5,082.40
Non-resident tax,	123.75
Non-resident highway tax,	82.50
School house tax in Dist. No. 1,	65.15
School house tax in Dist. No. 5,	51.50
Dog tax,	76.00
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Whole amount,	\$5,481.30

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Paid—	
School taxes,	\$803.62
State tax,	948.00
County tax,	643.06
Hiram Greenleaf, Treasurer,	2,755.75
Non-resident highway tax worked out,	6.75
School house tax in Dist. No. 1,	62.00
School house tax in Dist. No. 5,	50.00
By Abatements,	35.94
Abatements on dogs,	8.00
Abatements on School house tax,	2.42
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	\$5,315.54
Amount in Collector's hands uncollected,	\$165.76
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	\$5,481.30

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of D. H. Cox, Collector of Taxes for the year 1873, and find them correct.

H. H. SHEPARD, Auditor.

OVERSEER'S REPORT.

Walter B. Cox, Overseer of Poor, in account with the
Town of Holderness, from Feb. 28, 1873, to Feb. 28,
1874:

1873.		Dr.
Mar. 5.	Cash received of Town Treasurer,	\$11.37
22.	Cash received of Town Treasurer,	75.00
May 13.	Cash received of Town Treasurer,	12.00
Sept. 10.	Cash received of County Treasurer,	21.12
1874.		
Feb. 18.	Cash received of Town Treasurer,	25.33
		<hr/> \$144.82

1873.	Paid—	Cr.
Feb. 28.	James W. Boynton, supplies for Jer. Benton,	\$4.12
Apr. 8.	State Reform School, board of Wil- lard H. and Sydney N. Gault, 9 2-3 weeks,	38.32
	8. Car fare to Manchester, to remove Gault boys from S. R. School,	4.40
	14. Selinda Curry, board of W. C. Curry,	3.00
May 3.	Samuel Beaty, support of Frank H. Barton, one year,	10.00
	7. Selinda Curry, board of W. C. Curry,	10.00
	13. Dr. S. Davis, medical attendance,	
1874.	J. Benton's daughter,	7.00
Feb. 17.	Luther Barrett, support of Sydney N. Gault, from Nov. to March 12,	30.00
	17. Toll for crossing bridge,	.48
	Expenses out of town,	4.00
	17. Postage and stationery,	.35
	Walter B. Cox, services as Overseer of Poor,	25.40
	Horse and carriage,	7.75

Sum total paid,	\$144.82
Received,	\$144.82

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER B. COX, Overseer of Poor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Hiram Greenleaf, Treasurer, in Account with the Town.
of Holderness, for the year 1873 :

1873.	Dr.
Mar. 17. Cash on hand,	\$140.46
Apr. 26. Received of Stephen Ethridge,	100.00
May 22. Received of same,	400.00
Aug. 20. Stephen Ethridge,	20.00
Oct. 13. Received of same,	200.00
Dec. 8. Received of same,	124.42
1874.	
Jan. 12. Received of Daniel H. Cox,	500.00
Feb. 16. Received of same,	825.00
19. Received of same,	1,150.00
20. Received of same,	280.75
	\$3,740.63

CONTRA.

By cash paid out as follows :

1873. Paid—	
Mar. 20. Stephen Ethridge, for receipt,	\$10.00
22. Walter B. Cox, for receipt,	75.00
Apr. 19. Thomas Cochran, Jr., for order,	15.10
26. Luther B. Sanborn, for order,	10.00
26. Luther B. Sanborn, for order,	7.00
26. Stephen Ethridge, for order,	5.24
26. Charles W. Piper, for order,	4.00
May 13. Walter B. Cox, for order,	12.00
31. Van N. Bass, for printing town report,	48.40
July 4. Luther B. Sanborn, for order,	12.00
9. John H. Perkins, for note,	370.03
Aug. 20. Emma E. Cox, for note,	89.50
Oct. 17. Daniel B. Tucker, for order,	24.00
Nov. 21. George W. Worthen, for note,	133.81
Dec. 8. Benj. F. Burley, on note,	150.00

Paid—

10.	George W. Mooney, for order,	4.50
20.	John Smith, Jr., for order,	1.00
20.	John Smith, Jr., for order,	2.00

1874.

Jan. 29.	Wm. M. Wallace, for order,	11.00
	Rebecca Gale, for receipt,	10.00
Feb. 2.	Nathan B. Whitten, as town clerk,	25.00
2.	Abel Cotton, for receipt,	4.00
2.	Wm. E. Merrill, for receipt,	24.00
2.	Ruth P. Cox, for receipt,	8.00
5.	Harrison Carr, for receipt,	2.00
7.	Robert B. Piper, for receipt,	2.60
9.	Daniel S. Hockins, for receipt,	2.00
17.	Jonathan B. Huckins, for order,	8.00
18.	Walter B. Cox, for order,	25.33
18.	Abel Cotton, for receipt,	25.05
18.	Charles W. Piper, services as selectman,	69.40
18.	Luther B. Sanborn, as selectman,	55.83
18.	Luther B. Sanborn, for S. W. Davis,	6.00
18.	Thomas S. Pulsifer, for order,	4.00
18.	David S. Pulsifer, for order,	4.00
18.	John C. Towle, for order,	1.98
18.	Charles W. Piper, for order,	4.25
19.	Perkins Moulton, as Superintending School Committee,	39.00
19.	Stephen N. Worthen, for order,	23.76
19.	Walter B. Cox, for receipt,	4.00
19.	Stephen N. Worthen, for order,	2.00
19.	Andrew Smith, for order,	1.00
19.	Joseph F. True, for order,	5.04
19.	Stephen C. Baker, for order,	2.50
19.	Jacob S. Worthen, for order,	1.00
19.	John L. Page, for order,	1.00
19.	John Smith, Jr., for order,	4.00
20.	Joseph F. Greenleaf, note,	20.60
20.	Mark M. Sargent, for order,	8.00
20.	Rufus H. Eastman, for order,	2.20
20.	George F. Cummings, for order,	8.00
20.	Moses M. Cox, for order,	5.00
20.	David H. Cox, for order,	92.75

Paid—

20.	Stephen Ethridge, for services as selectman,	101.50
20.	Stephen Ethridge, for order,	12.25
21.	Benjamin Piper, on note,	1,500.00
21.	Hiram Greenleaf, as Town Treasurer,	62.50
Total amount paid out,		\$3,162.12
Amount on hand,		578.51
		<hr/> \$3,740.63

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Hiram Greenleaf, Town Treasurer, and find them correct.

H. H. SHEPARD, Auditor.

Town Debt on Notes Outstanding to March 1, 1874.

Hattie A. Merrill,	\$44.62
Wm. E. Merrill,	264.04
Mary S. Smith,	85.77
Martha Smith,	249.50
Rebecca Gale,	443.72
Benjamin Piper,	942.38
George H. Mooney,	946.96
Ruth P. Cox,	131.72
Heirs of Betsy Hughes,	179.96
Rebecca Gale,	294.94
Wm. E. Merrill,	137.75
Wm. E. Merrill,	262.24
Julia A. York,	521.40
Wm. E. Merrill,	647.23
Robert B. Piper,	144.27
Lewis B. Etheridge,	288.53
Elmira Watson,	113.82
Benjamin Piper,	216.10
John G. Beede,	105.23
Thomas H. Ricker,	418.60
Samuel P. Smith,	102.30
John G. Beede,	102.30

Martha A. Smith,	138.68
Ruth P. Cox,	554.59
Abel Cotton,	269.58

\$7,606.23

Balance on hand, \$578.51

Respectfully submitted,
HIRAM GREENLEAF, Treasurer.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Hiram Greenleaf, Town Treasurer, and find them correct.

H. H. SHEPARD, Auditor.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Two terms taught by Miss Clara T. Clark. The summer term was her first effort. Miss Clark is a graduate from Plymouth Normal School. This school made good improvement. At the closing examination gave good satisfaction. Whole number of scholars, 11; average, 10. Wages per month, \$20 including board.

Winter term seven weeks. Wages per month, \$27. Whole number of scholars, 11; average, 10. At the closing examination of this term your committee did not see that earnestness on a part of a portion of the scholars which would have been very desirable, yet the large scholars made very good improvement.

DISTRICT No. 2.

This school is union of Holderness and Ashland and is under the supervision of Ashland committee, yet it was reported to me by register. This school was taught by Miss Mary E. Colley. Your committee has all the evidence necessary to convince him that it was among our first day schools. Whole number of scholars, 16; average, 12. Wages of teacher including board, \$28.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Two terms. Summer term taught by Miss Addie E. Huckins. This was her second effort in this district. She was very indulgent with her scholars yet she accomplished much in so short a term as six weeks. Wages of teacher including board, \$18. Whole number of scholars, 13; average 12.

Winter term taught by Miss Emma J. Marten. She is a graduate from Plymouth Normal School. Her teaching faculties good. A portion of the scholars made good improvement. Order not good. Wages of teacher including board, \$24. Whole number of scholars, 14; average attendance, 10.

DISTRICT No. 4.

One term taught by Mrs. Clara E. Huckins. This was her third effort in this district, which is an evidence of her success as a teacher. This school was well drilled in the rudiments of education. Wages per month, \$20 including board. Whole number of scholars, 17; average attendance, 12.

DISTRICT No. 5.

One term of eleven weeks. Teacher, Miss Elvira J. Ben-
nis. This teacher has had long experience as teacher. Thoroughness was evinced in every department in which the school was engaged. To secure the labor of such a teacher is a fortune. Most of the scholars made good improvement. One of the best scholars in Arithmetic may be found in this school. Whole number of scholars, 8; average attendance, 6. Wages of teacher including board, \$24.

DISTRICT No. 6.

One term. Taught by Miss Nutting. This school is now in session. Miss Nutting is well qualified to teach the several branches usually taught in district schools. Your committee

cannot report in relation to the success of the school as it has not closed.

DISTRICT No. 7.

One term. Taught by Mrs. Carrie P. Berry. Whole number of scholars, — ; average attendance, —. This school is among our best managed schools in town. Teaching thorough. This school continued sixteen weeks. The rudiments of education were attended to in the most thorough manner.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Summer Term taught by Miss Mary Smith, education good. This was her first effort ; order not first class, teaching faculties not fully developed. Whole number scholars, 10 ; average attendance, 8. Wages of teacher including board, \$17. Length of school, eight weeks.

Winter Term taught by Miss Addie M. Batchelder. Length of school, six weeks. Wages per month, \$23 including board. Number of scholars, 15 ; average attendance, 15. The closing examination was premature. There being some dissatisfaction in relation to scholars and teacher, your committee visited the school the first of the fifth week, and could not satisfy himself better than to have the school continue until the money was expended.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Summer Term taught by Miss Ada F. Locke ; she is among the first class teachers, nature and art has qualified her to fill an important place in the school room. Whole number of scholars, 23 ; average attendance, 20. Wages of teacher including board, \$22. Second and third terms taught by Orra A. Locke. Whole number of scholars, 29 ; average attendance, 23. It is enough for your committee to say as to management, discipline and progress of the school in Dist. No. 9, there is no rival in town.

DISTRICT No. 10.

This school cannot be reported because the term has just commenced.

DISTRICT No. 11.

Summer Term taught by Miss Ida A. Willoughby. This was Ida's second effort in this district. This teacher has many imitators but few rivals; the rudiments of education thoroughly taught; teaching faculties first class. Whole number of scholars, 21; average attendance, 19. Wages per month, \$22.

Winter Term taught by Mr. Frank Morrill. The first visit was premature; hence your committee was not fully prepared to decide what the school might be, but hoping for success at the closing examination, he was disappointed finding that the rudiments of education had been almost entirely neglected except Arithmetic. Order and discipline poor. Whole number of scholars, 21; average attendance, 18. Wages per month including board, \$30.

As your committee has made some preliminary remarks relating to the several schools in town, he will conclude by saying that he considers himself highly complimented by the confidence reposed in him, giving the management and supervision of the teachers and children connected with your school. I see that the trust and responsibility is great, inasmuch as the prosperity and permanency of a town or nation, depends upon the education and intelligence they may possess. Your committee has visited nearly every school as the law requires, and I have the pleasure of saying that most of the schools in town have been a success. As your committee has had long experience in teaching children and youth, it is among the probabilities that he may give advice in relation to selecting teachers for our winter schools. I need not say they must have an education, but I shall say they must have years of experience before they are fit to teach

your winter schools ; younger teachers may be employed in summer. I might reiterate in your ear the same that your committee has for the last ten years in relation to the multiplicity of text-books in your schools. I might as well refer you to your old town reports, for there the same sad story is told over and over again without producing any visible effect. And finally I would say if your children would attend closely to the books they now have in use they might be qualified to fill the most important place in town and State.

PERKINS MOULTON,

Superintending School Committee.



